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DEQ to hold electronics recycling workshops

BATON ROUGE – The Department of Environmental Quality is holding six workshops throughout the state to introduce new contracts that can assist local governments and state agencies in their electronics recycling efforts. The workshops will focus on how these contracts can be used by local government to meet the increasing demand for electronics recycling.

Workshops are open to representatives from contracting companies as well as local governments and state agencies. The sessions will cover alternatives for handing and disposal of televisions, computers, cathode ray tube (CRT) monitors and other electronics. Several contracts are available for recycling mercury lamps, devices and reagents. These contracts can also be used for the collection of electronics and mercury-containing devices as part of disaster debris removal operations.

Containers for the collection of mercury-containing devices will be distributed to local government representatives at the workshops.

Workshops will take place at DEQ Regional Offices throughout the state. The schedule is as follows:

- May 7 at the Southeast Regional Office in New Orleans from 10:30 am – 12 noon
- May 18 at the Capital Regional Office in Baton Rouge from 9:00 am – 10:30 am
- May 19 at the Southwest Regional Office in Lake Charles from 10:30 am – 12:00 am
- May 22 at the Acadiana Regional Office in Lafayette from 10:00 am – 11:30 am
- May 28 at the Northeast Regional Office in West Monroe from 10:00 am – 11:30 am
- May 29 at the Northwest Regional Office in Shreveport from 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Please see the attached listing of DEQ regional office locations and contact information.

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